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Aware Introduces FIDO Certified Product Suite for Mobile Facial Biometric Authentication

Aware enables certified "selfie"-based mobile security in a suite that fulfills all three FIDO UAF product categories

BEDFORD, Mass., June 15, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- Aware, Inc. (NASDAQ: AWRE), a leading global provider of biometrics software and solutions, today introduced FIDO® Suite, a family of software products that enable secure biometric authentication on mobile devices using facial "selfie" images. The first three products in FIDO Suite achieved certification in the three FIDO UAF (Universal Authentication Framework) categories required in a complete solution: Server, Client, and Authenticator. Certification was earned in part by achieving interoperability with products from other vendors at the most recent testing event sponsored by the FIDO® Alliance.

"FIDO's broad industry support makes it the most promising path to ending our reliance on passwords for online authentication, and facial biometrics will play a major role," commented David Benini, VP of Marketing at Aware. "Aware's FIDO offerings are part of a range of mobile solutions that apply the depth of our technology to the special challenges of biometric enrollment and authentication, such as image quality assurance, ease of capture, and liveness detection."

"FIDO aligns well with Aware's long history of implementing biometric standards as well-supported off-the-shelf software products," added Rob Mungovan, VP of Biometrics. "Standards are critical to the success of consumer-focused applications, so we're pleased to see such broad support for FIDO."

FIDO Suite products include: i) Aware FIDO® Face Authenticator; ii) Aware FIDO® Client; and iii) Aware FIDO® Server. Each product is available on an a la carte basis. Aware FIDO Face Authenticator performs advanced active and passive liveness detection measures, as well as high-performance facial image autocapture, quality control, and biometric matching. It is compatible with Aware FIDO Client, as well as certified client products from other suppliers. Aware FIDO Server is similarly certified and interoperable, available as a module of Aware's market-leading Biometric Services Platform (BioSP™).

About Aware
Aware is a leading provider of biometrics software products and development services to governments, system integrators, and solution providers globally. Our products include SDKs, software components, workstation applications, and a modular, centralized, service-oriented platform. They fulfill a broad range of functions critical to biometric authentication and search, including face, fingerprint, and iris autocapture, image quality assurance, data compliance, capture hardware peripheral abstraction, centralized data processing and workflow, subsystem connectivity, and biometric matching algorithms. The products are used to enable identity-centric security solutions with biometrics for applications including border management, credentialing and access control, intelligence and defense, and law enforcement. Aware is a publicly held company (Nasdaq: AWRE) based in Bedford, Massachusetts.

See Aware's website for more information about our biometrics software products.

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Portions of this release contain forward-looking statements regarding future events and are subject to risks and uncertainties, such as estimates or projections of future revenue and earnings, and the growth of the biometrics markets. Aware wishes to caution you that there are factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results indicated by such statements.

Risk factors related to our business include, but are not limited to: i) our operating results may fluctuate significantly and are difficult to predict; ii) we derive a significant portion of our revenue from government customers, and our business may be adversely affected by changes in the contracting or fiscal policies of those governmental entities; iii) a significant commercial market for biometrics technology may not develop, and if it does, we may not be successful in that market; iv) we derive a significant portion of our revenue from third party channel partners; v) hardware revenue is likely to decline in future

periods; vi) we face intense competition from other biometrics solution providers; vii) our business is subject to rapid technological change; viii) our software products may have errors, defects or bugs which could harm our business; ix) our business may be adversely affected by our use of open source software; x) our intellectual property is subject to limited protection; xi) we may be sued by third parties for alleged infringement of their proprietary rights; xii) we must attract and retain key personnel; xiii) we rely on single sources of supply for certain components used in our hardware products; xiv) our business may be affected by government regulations and adverse economic conditions; xv) we may make acquisitions that could adversely affect our results, and xvi) we may have additional tax liabilities.

We refer you to the documents Aware files from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission, specifically the section titled Risk Factors in our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015 and other reports and filings made with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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